

APPROVED MINUTES
HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH COUNCIL MEETING
January 4, 2000
LBJ Building, Boise, ID - Room 324 / 8:30 am - 9:00 am

<u>Present:</u>	Darrell Manning, Chair	Charles Ruch	Ron Bitner
	Richard Bowen	Brian Pitcher	Robin Dodson
	Dennis Stevens	Jim Hottois	Randi McDermott

I. Minutes of October 5, 1999

MSC(Hottois/Ruch): To approve the minutes of October 5, 1999.

II. Nominee for Vacant HERC Position

MC(Stevens): To recommend John Huffman fill the vacant position on HERC.

III. EPSCoR Reappointments

MSC(Ruch/Hottois): To recommend to the State Board of Education reappointment of the following six individuals (K. Hollenbaugh, E. House, D. Jacklin, J. Kempton, D. Shoaf, J. Shreeve) to the Statewide EPSCoR Committee for terms of three years.

IV. Future Meeting with Governor's Science & Technology Advisor

It was decided that HERC would have a planning session with Dr. Billy Shipp, the Governor's newly appointed Statewide Science and Technology Advisor in conjunction with the February President's Council meeting.

V. Other

- A.** A copy of the HERC budget for FY 2000 was distributed. It showed an outstanding balance of \$85,600.

MSC(Ruch/Hottois): To allocate \$80,000 to the Infrastructure program according to existing percentages, and to allocate \$5,600 to HERC administrative costs to aid with activities of the Governor's Science & Technology Advisor and Advisory Council.

- B.** A discussion ensued regarding a request by Senator Noh and Board member Curtis Eaton to separate the HERC and EPSCoR funds in the legislative appropriation process. It was decided that members of the committee would explore further the reasoning for Senator Noh's request and if there were other legislators with similar requests.

- C.** Dr. Stevens distributed a memo addressing possible HERC use of the tobacco settlement funds. A general discussion regarding the tobacco funds ensued.

MSC(Ruch/Stevens): To ask staff to develop a position paper for HERC review for possible forwarding to the Board for FY 2002 budget request.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20AM.